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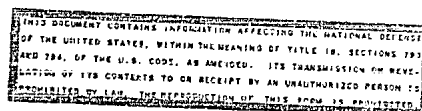
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SCORED FOR UNCOMPLETED CEMENT WORKS

The Hejocsaba Cement Works, slated to begin production several months ago, is still in a semifinished state. Lack of organization and cooperation has held up the construction of this important project from the very start.

Because of the omission of essential details, such as space for cable ducts and doors, blueprints were revised several times after building was in progress; consequently, finished sections had to be torn down. Although the Ministry of Building conducted an investigation, the engineers responsible for the omissions were fined purely nominal sums.

The work of the planning and construction enterprises was not coordinated by the investment enterprise created for that very purpose. Supplies arrived behind schedule; manpower and machinery were not fully utilized. Eleven members of one construction brigade were idle 40 hours because they lacked materials; even now, machinery is utilized only 20-25 percent; nevertheless, constant complaints are heard about the shortage of manpower and machinery.

Well-meaning but inexperienced cadres add to the confusion. In the meantime, an excess of paper work keeps experienced personnel away from the building site, and neither the director or the chief engineer of either the enterprise or trust will take time to travel there to supervise and instruct the cadres.

The Minister of Construction, Lajos Szijarto, actually condones these irresponsible attitudes, and issues reports saying that all is proceeding in the best order; the trust and the enterprise have given the cadres all the help that is called for. Even the Borsod Megye Party Committee has failed to take any corrective measures. In fact, the committee did not even feel called upon to inspect the project.

The Hejocsaba Cement Works is expected to produce 100 tons of cement per day. Previously discarded dross from the Diosgyor Metallurgical Works will be used as filler. Since the plan requires the Hejocsaba Cement Works to deliver 10,000 tons of cement before the end of the year, lost time must be made up without delay, and everyone concerned must adhere to the concept of individual responsibility.

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